

# COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE NETWORK

*Children, Family & Futures*

## BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY NETWORK

### MINUTES

December 8, 2003  
Parks and Recreation Community Room  
41220 Park Avenue  
Big Bear Lake, CA

#### **In Attendance:**

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#### **1. Welcome and Introductions**

Everyone was welcomed and self-introductions were made.

#### **2. Additions/Deletions to Agenda**

There were no additions or changes to the agenda.

#### **3. Approval of October Minutes**

The minutes will stand approved as read.

#### **4. Guest Speaker: Eileen Hofer of Lutheran Social Services, Family Resource Center**

Handouts from this presentation are attached.

#### **5. Handouts and Round Table Discussion**

Eileen Holzer-Tennity of The Hummingbird Project reported: It is a crazy time for referrals. Lutheran Social Services inherited the Family Counseling Center and it is now more geared towards Social Services. They are busy working on Christmas and disaster donations.

Announcements

- Wal-Mart is offering matching grants in conjunction with the Dave Mills grant.
- Bags were passed out from the Department of Public Health for the Latino 5 a day program. Adolfo Gonzales has more information and can be contacted at 909-387-6230.
- First 5 funding: The Strategic Plan outline is on their website.
- Susan Melanson is busy putting the final touches on the Children's Network annual report. The report will be distributed at the February meeting with a presentation on it and First 5 will be presenting their new Strategic Plan as well.
- During the January meeting, Brian Thomson, CWSM from the (DCS) Department of Children's Services will be speaking on the future of DCS Redesign. They need community input to help implement the upcoming changes. DCS plans to change their role from simply removing the child for placement, by involving the community as a team for resources.
- Elaine of the Hummingbird Project announced that they have so many things including warm coats for kids. They are in need of donations for adult coats. They are also working with Healthy Start to get more referrals. Be sure to call ahead because people need referral slips (909) 584-7158.
- The CAP (Child Abuse Prevention) safety campaigns were mentioned and everyone was encouraged to take more flyers from the resource table.

6.     **Next Meeting Date:     January 12, 2004**  
          **Parks and Rec. Community Room**  
          **41220 Park Ave, Big Bear Lake**

Respectfully Submitted

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